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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 1, 2003 for the above-referenced application. A petition to extend the time of response from August 1, 2003 to November 1, 2003 is submitted herewith. The submission of this paper on Monday, November 3, 2003 is timely as November 1, 2003 fell on a Saturday. Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.